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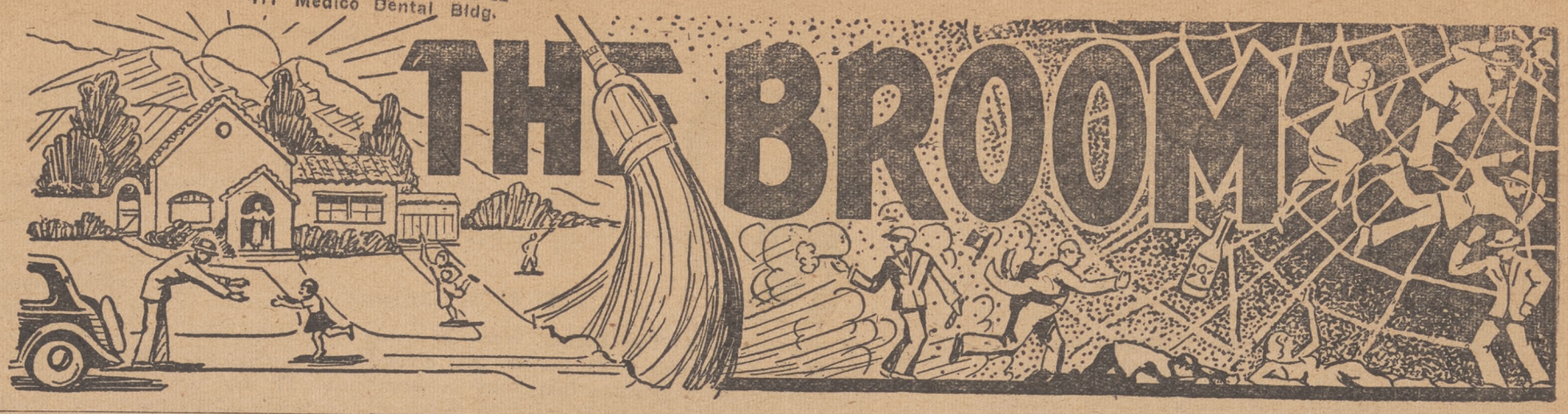

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Edison Assails Trend Of Bureaucracy in U. S.

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Despite his former connection with the Federal Government as Assistant Secretary of the Navy and his known support of the New Deal, Governor Charles Edison was seen as opposed to what he termed the bureaucratic trend of the present Administration as the result of the war.

In a radio speech, Edison said:

"Each war has seen an increase a necessary increase in the growth of Federal power. But the return of peace has never seen a return to the people and the states of all the functions taken over by the national Government.

"I do not doubt the patriotism of the officials in Washington. I do not distrust their motives. But I do feel that democracy cannot be operated by long distance.

"There must be real, vigorous self-government in cities, in counties, in states, if we are to have national democracy. The process of self-government must work upward, not downward."—L. A. Examiner.

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Postal Employees Disappointed; No Pay Increase Now

Postal employees, who have not had an increase in pay for 17 years, learned that no action is likely to be taken by the Congress for some time. Consideration of the proposed pay boost has been postponed indefinitely.

Last week the Senate Civil Service Committee met to discuss the postal wage problems, but adjourned without making any recommendations. At the time it was indicated that action might be taken when the tax bill was passed. However, it was announced that the Senate would adjourn in three weeks.

The problem of postal wages has been before Congress since early in April. Numerous hearings have been held by Senate and House Committees. The initial request of the postal group was for a 15% increase on the grounds that the recent rise in the cost of living amounted to at least that figure. When this was fully turned down, an increase of 10% was asked.

Testimony of various representatives of the Government differ greatly on this question. The Postmaster General has stated that an outright increase is necessary, but other Federal officials oppose any increase whatsoever. Meantime the budget of the postal family is shrinking and Post Office personnel are feeling that they will be forgotten entirely.

The above is the statement of Howard K. Eaton, director of Angel City Branch of the National Association of Letter Carriers.

Man's Right To Live

by John T. Giddings
East Providence, R. I.

"You take my life when you do take the means whereby I live." —Shakespeare.

If men would live from discord free,
On primal rights they must agree;
The first of which is, free from strife,
Each shall possess the means of life.
What labor draws from land is wealth,
The means of keeping life and health,
But which usurpers of the soil
Sequester from the sons of toil.
Man's right to live must justly be
To draw supplies from land or sea;
Who withholds these in hope of gain
Robs justice of her righeous reign.
Make no mistake! True liberty
Is only where the land is free;
Since Nature is no niggard, dearth
Come from engrossment of the earth.
Land once released from human greed
Shall render each his honest meed.
Make righteousness the civic code
By giving rent taxation's load.
And when our days beneath the sun
Shall end, if justice here is won,
Shall not our heaven happier be
For having strived mankind to free?

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Newspapers Vital To War, Says Long

LOS ANGELES—A vital part in war activities was attributed to newspapers by John B. Long, manager of the California Newspaper Publishers' association, who told members of a state senate economic committee on gasoline rationing this week that "newspapers would be the sole means of informing the people" in event of attack.

Explaining that newspapers already have reduced their transportation mileage 40 percent, Long said that any further reduction would deal circulation "a critical blow".

People Will Balk at Idea Of Enforced Employment

NEW YORK—Paul McNutt, Gen. Hershey and all others concerned had better get it through their heads right away that the people of the United States will refuse to cooperate in any program of compulsory employment which attempts to force millions of citizens to pay tribute to the political subdivision of the new deal party known as the labor movement. McNutt is a politician and can address himeslf to the subject. Hershey, being a soldier, must keep out of politics and therefore probably will not address himself on this. There is no point, either, in urging people to get into war work voluntarily and then sending them to the office of some union to pay graft to some racket as the price of a job. Yet this is being done all over the country and the mere cost in money, painful as it is to most of the victims of this sanctified stick-up, isn't the whole objection.

There is still such a thing as principle, & the people simply will not give up their right to work, whether on government war jobs or in private, non-war industry, without asking the permission of some private organization.

Green's Leadership Hit

The fact that the American Federation of Labor, under the appallingly stupid leadership of William Green, has developed into a front for low and brutal criminals, cannot be answered out of existence by the cry of labor baiting.

The name of labor has become the last refuge of many a dirty scoundrel and Green, far from moving against any of them, has actually, in certain conspicous cases, sided with them against the public and sometimes against the rank and file of workers under their control.

The final responsibility for this shocking state of affairs traces to the White House. Unfortunately, President Roosevelt knows, or should know, the character of the A. F. L. and the C. I. O. which is more Communist than criminal in its leadership, but twice when the house passed bills which sought to place some public responsibility and accountability on the unioneers, the legislation was blocked in the senate by White House influence.

The bills were even exposed for debate in congress and there you have a partial answer from congress to the president's recent charge that the legislative branch had falied to perform its function.

Need for Honesty

There is a tragic need for a show of plain honesty in this situation. The President, by accepting the political support of rascals in the union movement, has identified his party with them and the implication to the people is that the union bosses, even though they be criminals have received a grant of power over their lives.

But even though they be honest union leaders, they deserve no such power. These union officials are only private citizens, with no authority of government and no legitimate right to extort money or to collect income taxes from the people.

As to manpower for the war industries, the constant news of strikes here, there and yonder certainly operates against the solemn and undoubtedly sincere and patriotic warnings of McNutt and Hershey.

The Chicago papers tell of a jurisdictional strike on an enormous steel plant in which the Hod Carriers' union, a notorious racket long infested with vile underworld criminals, and only one of whose national officers, and that one of secondary rank, ever was selected by the workers, is squabbling with the plumbers and steamfitters over the division of the graft.

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Soldier Liquor Sale Banned in Ireland

BELFAST Northern Ireland—Retail liquor dealers today announced a ban on the sale of bottled spirits and wines to members of the United States and British armed forces in Northern Ireland. The action was taken after consulting army authorities, they said.

Editor's Note—A liquor befogged mind never has and never will perform great accomplishments. We need sober minds in every step of our present performance toward a just peace, and particularly should our soldiers be clear of mind, for they have herculean tasks to perform and accomplish. Let's follow the same policy as adopted in Ireland for our soldiers everywhere. They will thank us for it later.

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Indian Newspaper Asks U. S. Intervention

NEW DELHI, India,—An Indian plea for American intervention to work out some adjustment of the Indian question appeared in The Statesman, important English-edited Indian daily whose policy for a long time has been close to that of the government of India itself.

The editorial, which attracted widespread attention, expressesd regret that Wendell Willkie failed to come to India on his round-the-world journey.

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There is a correct routine for filling station visits, even if the majority of motorists do not practice it, declares the National Automobile Club. Every such stop should be the occasion for having the gasoline tank filled, the radiator checked, the oil inspected as to quantity, and the tires brought up to their normal pressure. Every second stop, at least, should find another step added to the routine; that is, having the battery filled with water. Good car care begins in this cycle of attentions. It is the wise motorist, too, who keeps his gas tank full.

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It is occasionally said of a person that they have too much educationu. It is hard to believe this can be true, education being the training of the mental and moral powers. What is true, however, and probably the meaning the remark is intended to convey, is that occasionally a person has too much of the wrong kind of education.

—Cause and Effect, Chicago.

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Draft All Aliens, Enemy or Otherwise

It has always been my contention that if a country is good enough to consider as "home" and more or less a permanent place of residence—by any body—citizens or aliens—it is good enough to respect and fight for. Further if an alien makes any country his home for more than a year, they should become citizens by regular constituted procedure of that country. The Japs are not the only nationals that have practiced a more or less dual citizenship. Of course many of them really were citizens of both Japan and the United States, but these other nationals are still citizens or subjects of their mother countries and accepting the protection of both their native land and the United States, and escaping the duty of helping to protect either.

Therefore I recommend that all aliens residing in the United States or our possessions, whether enemy laiens or otherwise, should either be drafted as our citizens are & given regular draft classifications for service, or interned for the duration. Especially are there too many refugees who have taken cover in the United States, and not desiring to lend a hand to liberate even the lands of their birth.

Non-Warlike Motion Pictures Desired

Went to a movie a couple weeks ago, the first time in perhaps a year. Why? Well I'll tell you. There was too much rotten war propaganda in the pictures. They have toned this down considerably, undoubtedly because of popular protest, but the motion picture industry has not cleared up their slate yet entirely in this regard to where they should, and I quite agree with Jimmie Fiddler on this score. He suggests that the picture industry could do a lot of constructive propagandizement to winnnig a just victory instead of giving a lot hokum about the weakness of our enemies.

The two pictures we observed were very entertaining, and the one featuring Gary Cooper in the "life of Lou Gehrig", is highly commendable for posterity's sake. Shirely Temple in Anne Rooney showed splendid juvenile acting. The movies are apparently doing a land-office business now, for the theatre was filled to capacity during the three hours of our so-journ, and many had to stand in line both in and out of the lobby and vestibule for upwards of an hour and more.

Maybe Hollywood is commencing to appreciate the fact that their business is entertainment and not advertising and propagandizing, so let us hope that they will continue along such lines—that of entertaining. After all that is what the public pay their money for—strictly ENTERTAINMENT.

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By Charles H. Ingersoll

(Of Dollar Watch Fame)

NEW YORK (Radiocast)—

A subscriber of 'The Forum' (Stockton, California) asks the editor to explain his position 'that government should pay no interest'. Assuming that such a statement would naturally bear the Coughlin or money-reformer interpretation, that bonds result from money-changers exploitation, or from a dishonest financial system, the question must first be answered from this viewpoint.

The answer is that money reforms cannot relieve a government or individual of financial obligations to investors, without repudiation; and repudiation is denial of private rights in property, or Communism. If it be true that banks get bonds without full payment, that is mal-administration, in no wise justifying repudiation. If we entered a war illegally or conducted it extravagantly, that is no warrant for repudiation of debts incurred. We should learn how to manage a democracy.

Bonds are bonds, exactly as your check is a check. Maybe government is a failure in many ways; but as long as it operates, it is a solvent business, and will pay its debts. A bond is a debt.

What Mr. Beckwith may have meant by this statement is that no such thing as bonds need exist if rents were collected instead of being allowed to go to the monopolists. So he should have said that. But he has quite a different idea. In answering this 'student' he gets across seven unique lessons in economics. I'll try to give them to our 'students' in fewer words.

(1) Bond proceeds spent publicly will produce the equivalent in rent of land. (2) If they do not bear interest (I doubt if any such have yet been issued) people will pay the equal of current interest in rent. (3) He asks whether if rent were collected publicly, bonds should be issued—a self answering question, I think. (4) He says rent is 'public wages' and interest. (5) He divides the rent fund into two classes: (a) public services; (b) private services. But he does not say how to tell the way of division, use, etc. (6) Collecting rent will save cost of collecting taxes. (7) He lists a lot of corrupt and unmoral things that will cease through collecting rent in place of taxes.

Regarding these, I would say: (1) not a scientific fact; guesswork; (2) guesswork; (3) self answering; (4) confusing; misuse of common terms; (5) rent relates only to public service; (6) will cost exactly the same. (7) misleading, as process is the same; influence on morals, etc. is general, not specific, as stated.

In general, it seems to me that this question is made to bear an unnatural burden in the answers imposed.

Caution Urged In Use of New Syphilis Treatment

SAN FRANCISCO— Caution in the use of the new five-day treatment for early syphilis was urged by Dr. Norman N. Epstein, assistant clinical professor of dermatology at the University of California Medical School.

Using massive doses of arsenic to cure early syphilis, the treatment is still entirely experimental, declared Dr. Epstein, and years of investigation may be needed to determine its true worth. Therefore he warned it should not be used by physicians or clinics in general but should be employed only in institutions equipped to carry it out and to follow the history of treated cases.

Although it opens up a valuable new approach to the control of early syphilis, Dr. Epstein pointed out, one of the principal dangers in using the new faster method is that the massive doses may produce toxic reactions. Use of a new drug, mapharsen, has gone far toward countering this difficulty, he said, but its value in curing syphilis has not been definitely established.

"For the past few months we have employed a modification of the intensive method of treating early syphilis at the Medical School," he declared. "This plan consists of a combination of artificial fever therapy and multiple injections of mapharsen, and takes eight days for completion intead of five.

"It is hoped that the addition of artificial fever will increase the therapeutic effect of the drug and lessen its toxicity, but it is still too early to determine the effectiveness of this plan of treatment."—University of Calif. News Service.

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Suggestions For Raw Food Eaters

(From Nature's Path, N. Y.)

by William Utrecht

I have been asked several times by well-wishing friends to suggest some fitting menus and I almost promised to do this until I began to work them out. Then I realized that it's impossible for me to say: what, and how much of it, another person should eat, morning, noon and night, during the 365 days of a year, as it is impossible for me to say just how much a person should weigh.

I would have to know exactly how much vitality there is expended in a certain time, (and this always varies, even in the same person), in order to correctly balance it.

Here, everybody must use his own common sense to determine the kind and quantity, of food.

The best I can do is, to suggest that we should eat the foods that are in season, and preferably such foods as were grown in the latitude or zone or district where we live, and that we should change our foods as the seasons change.

Furthermore, the foods that are most easily digested should always form the first and last meal of each day, no matter at which time these meals are taken; the heavier foods, as a general rule, should make up the midday meal.

In the Spring of the year the berries are in season everywhere. They do the spring-house-cleaning, after all the heavy foods during the winter. In the South the mulberries, and in Florida, even before these are ripe, we have plums or lowquats, and strawberries and tomatoes all winter. In the North we have blueberries and huckleberries.

While the mulberry season is still on, the blackberries come in, then the cherries and the early Florida peaches. A little later come Georgia peaches, and those from farther north last until late in the Fall.

Besides we have watermelon, cantaloups, fresh sweet green corn and pineapple; and cabbage, onions, apples and bananas are with us always.

I must not forget to say a word about our good reliable standby: raw cabbage.— It is one of the best, all-year, natural medicines that I know of. Cauliflower is almost as effective. — Three hours after eating it, preferably with an apple, which makes it taste better, my head feels as if some one had been inside and cleaned up. I can think better. Onions and apple make also a good combination for either breakfast or supper.

Fresh sweet green corn, eaten raw, on the cob, as a cow would eat it, is also a most wonderful natural laxative, but its season is not very long.

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An acquaintance saw me eat it in this fashion and predicted that I would surely get sick from it. The poor man with his limited mentality could not grasp that raw food has made me well and strong and happy.

During the beginning of July, grapes and fresh figs begin to be sold; also avocadoes, mangoes, and a little later, new apples and pears and persimmons.

Figs, avocado and persimmon last until the end of October; grapes until Christmas; pears until February, and apples until the new ones come.

Banana with crushed brown rice or whole wheat, or Coconut with rice or wheat, make a very substantial midday meal. — So do persimmon and avocado.

Of foods that are in season, use the acid—or sub-acid foods for breakfast; the carbohydrates, proteins and fats (nuts, banana, persimmon, avocado) for midday, and vegetables or vegetable-salads for supper.

I have just mentioned a few of the good things to eat in our great country. All we have to do is, select, from those in season, and if we wish to combine, we may do so according to the rules of compatibility, most important of which is, that acid foods give best results when eaten by themselves, or, if combined, with none other but the vegetables, containing no starch (cabbage, lettuce, celery, spinach, watercress, etc.), because the acid prevents the formation of such gastric juices as are necessary for the digestion of the starch, protein and fat.

Foods in season are cheapest, but the most important of all is, that they are most conductive to better health.

Nature means that the ripe foods should be eaten as she presents them to us, during the different seasons. It is very foolish to preserve and spoil good food in America, and eat it when out of season, when Nature gives us other foods.

First you spend most of the day in an over-heated kitchen, devitalizing it. — Then you overeat, because your system craves the organic minerals which you have at least partly destroyed, but without which we cannot live, and then, lastly, you sit up part of the night and try to nurse back to health those (and yourself) for whose ailments you, yourself, are responsible. And for the trouble you, in your ignorance, have brought upon yourself you blame God or the weather or anything except yourself as the cause of your misery.

If you are hungry again a few hours after supper, you may have an apple or a pear or a handful of grapes, according to the season, a little while before bedtime. — An apple, you will find, stimulates kidney-action, while a pear acts more upon the bowels.

From the above suggestion you may compile your own menus, according to the seasons of the year, and eat, in quantity, to balance the vitality expended.

When your auto is run at a higher speed, it eats more gas; when you work harder, you need more eats; but at no time should you give your auto inferior gas, or your stomach inferior (denatured) food.

All cooked foods are denatured and dead, killed on the cook-stove. A cooked potato can not grow anymore, neither can a baked grain of wheat. They are lacking in organic minerals. It is impossible to maintain a live body on dead foods.

Eat Raw Foods for Better Health.

Economic Freedom Basis of All Freedom

Economic freedom is the basis of all the freedoms. When people lose economic freedom, their other freedoms are curtailed or disappear. We see this when people become dependent for their opportunity to make a living upon landlords, as the share croppers in the South, or upon employing corporations, as miners living in company houses and trading at company stores.

The loss of all freedoms when economic freedom is lost is demonstrated in a wholesale way when people become subservient to an overpowering government under an ordered or dictated economy, as in Russa and Germany. Those who become dictators in economic affairs can tolerate no criticism; hence, freedom of expression is suppressed. They can brook no suggestion of a higher authority, so they seek to suppress freedom in religion.

The other two of the freedoms of which we have been hearing so much—freedom from fear and freedom from want—are results, and not condtions that can be enacted or decreed. But these freedoms cannot exist where economic freedom has been destroyed. There can be no freedom from fear where people are in constant fear of displeasing their masters. Freedom from want cannot prevail where initiative has been destroyed and efficiency reduced by an ordered or dictated economy.

As a matter of war necessity, our economic freedom in this country is being very greatly curtailed. Already we can see the effects of this on our other freedoms. If we expect to have in the future the freedoms for which this war is ostensibly being waged, we must hold tenaciously to the ideal of economic freedom—not only to a return, when the war is over, to the degree of economic freedom we had before the war, but to a going forward, by legislation to abolish restrictions and privileges and by co-operation, to thoroughgoing economic freedom.—Nebraska Union Farmer.

Editor's Note—We certainly must be fighting this war to save our country and not enslave it under the guise of war necessity !

Population Of San Diego Now Nearing 350,000

San Diego now has a population of 340,000 according to the 1942 city directory now being distributed.

This is considered the largest increase in population during a one year period that has happened in 25 years since the directory was started.

The population of the 1941 directory indicated a population here of 260,000. The jump to 340,000 is almost unbelievable, it was stated.

How Long, Oh Lord, How Long !

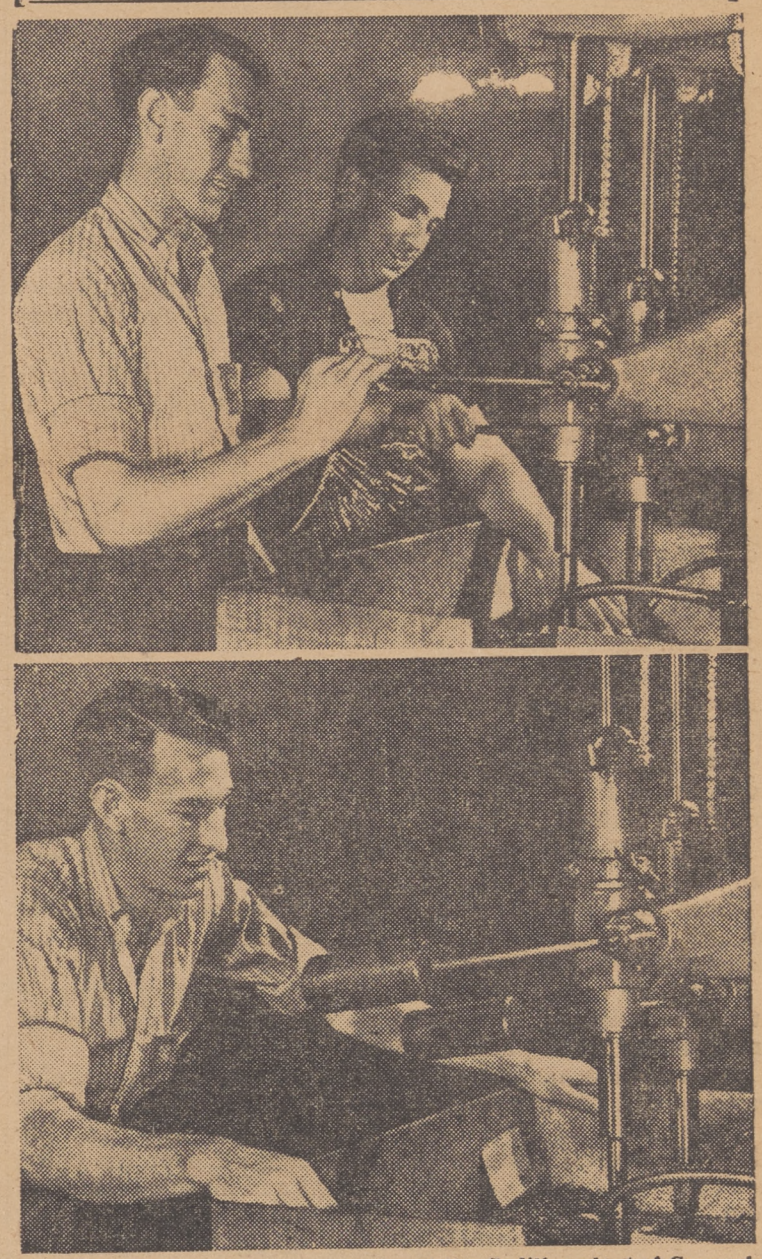
Cause and Effect is in receipt of a letter from a woman, who unquestionably has been doing some thinking of her own, which contains the following significant paragraphs.

"Every parent of boys 17 years old or younger, every potential parent, every parent who has, or will have, lost a son in this war should make it their duty to study the causes and effects of wars — why their sons must give up their precious lives to carry on conditions that are not necessary. Were war necessary there would be nothing to do but accept the fact and put the blame "on the knees of the gods". But it is now known wars are absolutely unnecessary and there are those who are giving their all—their time, talents and substance, yes, even their lives and the lives of their loved ones — in the effort to awaken parents to this fact. How long, oh, Lord how long before parents realize that to "know ye the truth, the truth will set ye free?"

Let us win this war with all our resources—then let us study how future wars may be avoided."

The lady is right about the matter — wars are unnecessary. The trouble is that so few people are aware of this fact. When it becomes more generally known that wars are unnatural, hence unnecessary, we may hope for the permanent ending of armed strife. Until the cause of wars is better understoood than it is today, mothers' sons are going to be called upon to sacrifice their lives in unnecessary warfare. Knowledge alone is the key to freedom, peace and prosperity. There is no other way.—Cause and Effect, Chicago.

Worker's Timesaver Wins Award



John White, drill press operator at the Cadillac plant of General Motors, won a substantial award in war bonds for the suggestion pictured above, which frees a fellow worker for other essential jobs making parts for the Allison aircraft engine. In the picture at the top White and another worker are shown operating two sensitive drill presses by hand. Constant pressure on the lever was required to feed the tool into the work. Below, White is shown operating both drills. Weights attached to the levers maintain a steady pressure, leaving White free to change the work on each machine in turn. White's suggestion was among many thousands submitted by General Motors war workers under the Corporation's Suggestion Plan to Increase War Production.

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HEALTH-GERMS

"YOUTH" is a state of mind—
not a time in life.

By George Starr White, M. D.

"CAN'T SLEEP" TROUBLES

Insomnia—chronic inability to sleep—is only a sympton of something wrong in the body. No two persons have the same reasons for not sleeping.

Gas in the bowels is one of the most common of all causes of sleeplessness. The gas in the bowels cause nightmares, as a rule, and that makes sleep impossible.

Over-working of the nervous system is also a frequent cause of insonmia.

The remedy is the removing of the cause. This can only be done by a thoro investigation to discover the cause.

Keep the bowels active. Don't eat within three hours of going to bed. Be sure the bladder is well-emptied just before retiring.

Never take any "sleeping potions". All dope makes matters worse. They increase auto-intoxication and add fuel to the fire.

Breathe deeply when U first go to bed, and every time U wake up in the night. That will help equalize the circulation and aid sleep.

Soaking the feet in hot water just before retiring will often help give a "peaceful" night's sleep.

Yeast-cake munching is causing more sleepless nights than one can imagine. Raw yeast is something we should try to keep out of our systems.

There are cases that will be relieved by eating an apple just before retiring. As a rule, to go to bed "on an empty stomac" is the better plan, however.

Sometimes a handful of fresh popcorn, eaten on wakeful occasions, will bring refreshing slumber.

Have plenty of fresh air in the sleeping-room. Keep the body well covered while in bed. Chilling air over the body, when asleep, may bring on muscle pains and muscle cramping. Avoid "weighing the body down" with heavy covers, however. A good "comforter"—a form of qulit—is lighter and warmer than several blankets.

Many persons can get over insomnia by sleeping "on a hard bed". Instead of springs on the bed, I have them use a good five-ply board cut to fit their bed. Over the board one or two "bed-pads" are placed—or a thick blanket. Most furniture stores sell suitable "bed-pads", which are thinner than mattresses.

It is surprising, the good results many obtain from this "sleeping hard". Unless there is some difficulty in breathing, use no pillow, or just a "baby pillow".

Try to sleep on the abdomen or on the right side. Most dreams, snoring, coughing, and other such disturbances, take place when the sleeper is lying on his back. Sometimes I have the patient fasten a regular wooden spool so it comes in the middle of the back. Then when he rolls over on the back when asleep, he will quickly roll back to another position. Bladder disturbances at night, as well as snoring, are often overcome by this simple method.

PEOPLE WILL BALK AT COMPELLED EMPLOYMENT

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'Felon Conducts Strike'

The St. Louis papers discover that a recent strike in a cartridge plant was conducted by a criminal with a prison record and a background of bootlegging and dive-keeping whose civil rights were restored in 1935 for the very purpose of permitting him to become a professional unioneer.

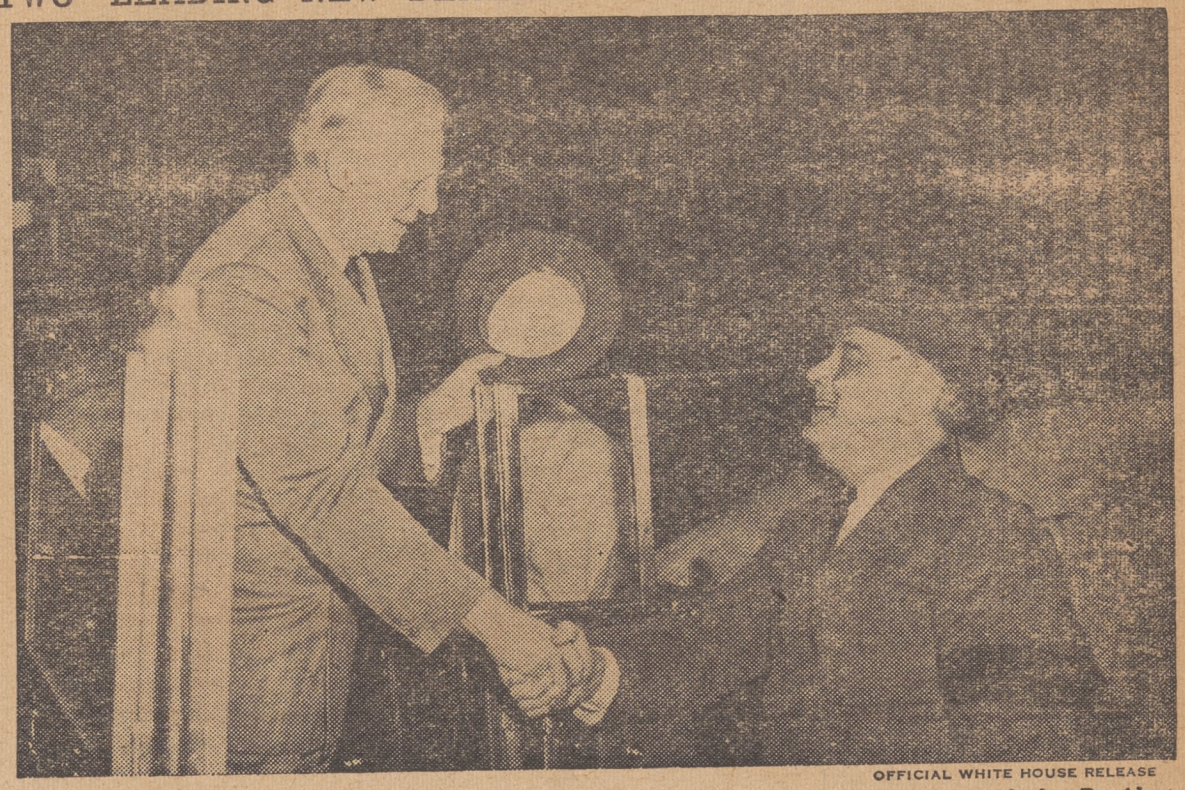
The hod carriers' shakedown union recently stalled construction of a pipeline to bring fuel to the middle west and east.

This sort of thing continues and the proportion of man-days lost is beside the point. The point is that no man-days should be lost by strikes and that no man should be placed under labor compulsion as long as any voluntary man-days are wasted by the unions. Compulsion is contrary to all the past experience of Americans and against their principles, but we doubtless will submit if we are convinced that everything short of compulsion has been used.

But all concerned had better be warned that if and when the American people submit to compulsion they will not submit to compulsory unionism and extortion.

—Westbrook Pegler, in Sun-Tribune.

TWO LEADING NEW DEALERS MEET ON INSPECTION TRIP



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PRESIDENT TOURS: With a hearty handclasp and a smile, President Roosevelt greets Governor Culbert L. Olson, of California, before making an inspection tour of the Douglas Aircraft Corporation plant at Long Beach. Governor Olson accompanied the President throughout the day while visiting military and naval bases and defense plants in the southern part of the state.

Let Justice Prevail

Two recent incidents in widely separated American communities, unrelated but illustrative of similar trends and dangers, have emphasized the hazards which plague a democratic nation at war.

In Chicago, Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling, a woman long unpopular with the political majority in the country, unsuccessfully resisted removal to Washington for trial on charges of sedition and conspiracy.

The hearing was not for the purpose of determining the guilt or innocence of the defendant, although Judge William D. Holly, who presided, volunteered the opinion that the charges against her were, **SO OBVIOUSLY INSUBSTANTIAL THAT HE HAD "SERIOUS DOUBTS AS TO THIS DEFENDANT'S GUILT".**

The issue was whether or not the defendant could be transported for trial to a "foreign jurisdiction", remote from the scene of the alleged offense.

Regarding this, Judge Holly said:

"It is difficult, I grant you, without great means to defend oneself in a foreign jurisdiction. However, the Supreme Court has left me no jurisdiction here. I shall have to uphold the removal order."

The woman involved in this case has incontestibly been removed to a "foreign jurisdiction", in the sense of remoteness from the scene of her supposed offense.

That she has also been removed to an unfriendly jurisdiction is also suspect, since the remote community in which she must stand trial is composed largely of a populace under political obligation to the political elements with which she is unpopular.

The second incident, to which reference was made in the opening paragraph of this editorial, occured in New York and involved Moses Ellsberg, a veteran of the first World War, accused of making unpatriotic utterances in a public place.

These utterances consisted of remarks that the President of the United States is not a god but a man elected by the people, that America is losing the war, and that generals are generals because they knew the "right somebodies".

That at least was the testimony against the defendant. His own version was that he merely said the President might have been mistaken in some of the things he had done, that most British generals were appointed because of whom they knew.

The court struck a balance between these versions and sentenced the defendant to 30 days in the workhouse—of which he served five days before his release pending appeal.

The only connection between these incidents is the suspicion they raise that the proper bounds of vigilance have been exceeded, and the field of political terrorism entered.

Sedition and conspiracy are surely actionable in wartime.

Even foolish talk, if it is demonstrably unpatriotic and obstructive, is punishable.

But who can view these incidents without conviction that grave excesses have been indulged, to the peril of rights and institutions historically essential to the American way of life?

A democracy at war has all the hazards of conflict known to combatant nations, and some strictly peculiar to itself.

It has **FREEDOM to defend,** in addition to boundaries and territories.

It cannot preserve the liberties and rights of its people by jeopardizing or destroying them through excesses of vigilance which demean rather than employ fundamental implements of justice.

Political persecution and terrorism, or the least suspicion of them, are repugnant to the American people, will weaken rather than sustain us in this war, and should be foresworn by all agencies of a Government responsible to a free people.

—Los Angeles Examiner.

Justice Begets Freedom

Once justice is established, freedom will automatically follow. Freedom without justice is no more possible than are shadows without light. Whether or not Mr. Roosevelt's four freedoms will be realized following the close of the present titantic struggle depends altogether on whether or not the peace treaty accords a full measure of justice to all the contending parties. If it does not, freedom will not have been established, and without freedom there can be no peace. This is something to remember when we read of proposals to police the world after the war. Where justice prevails there will be freedom, and where there is freedom, policing is unnecessary.—Cause and Effect, Chicago.

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SAFETY TIP

Motorists should slow down before they come to intersections and increase their speed when they see that the way is clear, states the Public Safety Department of the National Automobile Club. Slamming on the brakes in the middle of a cross street often proves more dangerous than not putting them on at all.

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